Suspension of Officers of LIC

2492. SHRI SANJAY NIRUPAM:
SHRI PRAFUL PATEL:

Will the Minister of FINANCE be pleased to state:

(a) whether the two officials of Life Insurance Corporation of India of the rank of Deputy Secretary and Assistant Secretary has been suspended in the month of July on the charge of illegal and unauthorised transaction; and

(b) if so, the names of the officials and the details of the charges against them?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF FINANCE (SHRI BALASAHEB VIKHE PATIL): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) Life Insurance Corporation of India (LIC) have intimated that they have suspended two officers Shri P. Sridhara Rao, Deputy Secretary and Shri Pradipto Sen, Assistant Secretary on the allegations of illegal and unauthorised transaction in connection with offering shares of Modi Rubber Ltd. in the open offer made by Shri V.K. Modi, Dr. B.K. Modi and others. They are conducting investigation in the matter and appropriate charges will be framed on the basis of the investigation report.

Applicability of reimbursement of Taxi / Scooter charges

2493. DR. M.N. DAS: Will the Minister of FINANCE be pleased to state:

(a) whether clarification issued by C and AG *vide* its circular No. 189-Audit (Rules) 24-98 (KW) (56) dated the 9th August, 2000 regarding reimbursement of Taxi / Scooter charges to the official while on tour is applicable to areas such as Ghaziabad, Noida, Bahadurgarh, Gurgaon etc.,

(b) if so, the details thereof; and

(c) if not, the reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF FINANCE (SHRI BALASAHEB VIKHE PATIL): (a) No, Sir.